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Biography of Vermont for 1873.

The following is a very complete list of the prominent natives or residents of Vermont, who have died during the past year.

Jan. 2.—Dr. Richard F. Howell, of Waterville, aged 86 years. He practiced his profession for more than half a century, and had been in the Legislature, and once a member of a constitutional convention.

Jan. 3.—Rev. B. O. Mosher, of West Sand Lake, N. Y., aged 56; a native of Fairfax, and a Methodist clergyman for 34 years.

Jan. 13.—Dr. Stephen Tracy, of Andover, Mass., aged 63. He was born in Hartford; practiced his profession for a time in this State, and was for some years a Missionary in China.

Jan. 15.—O. H. Kibbe, of Westbury, N. Y., aged 54. He graduated from the University of Vermont in 1853, and adopted the profession of teaching. He was Principal of Vergennes Academy seven years, and was a leading and enthusiastic worker in the State Teachers' Association. In 1871 he accepted the superintendency of the public schools of Westbury.

Jan. 21.—Hon. B. Baldwin, of Putnam Junction, N. Y., aged 73; a native of Bradford. He had been a County Judge of St. Lawrence County.

Jan. 23.—Hon. Oscar L. Shafter, of Florence, Italy, aged 60. He was born in Townshend; commenced the practice of law in Wilmington, and represented that town in the Legislature in 1854; was a leading member of the old Free Soil party; went to California in 1855, where he gained considerable prominence, and was a time a Judge of the Supreme Court.

Jan. 26.—Hon. E. N. Briggs, of Brandon, aged 70 years. Born in Middlebury, Mass.; came to Salisbury in 1810; admitted to the Bar in 1823; removed to Brandon in 1841; a member of the Constitutional Convention of 1828, represented Salisbury in the Legislature from 1829 to 1835; was elected State Attorney in 1836; was a State Senator from that county in 1836-7-8, and from Rutland County in 1842-3-4. In 1845-6 represented Brandon in the Legislature, and was Speaker of the House both years, as he was in 1844-5; was delegate to the Chicago Republican Convention of 1860; and held many positions of trust in town, church and business affairs. Was an able lawyer and a successful politician.

Jan. 28.—Luther Tucker, senior proprietor and editor of the *Country Gentleman*, Albany, N. Y., aged 73. Born in Brandon, established the first daily paper at Rochester, N. Y.; and formerly published the *Genesee Farmer*.

Jan. 27.—Lieut. J. W. Sattle, formerly of Barton, at Santa Fe, New Mexico; was a graduate of West Point.

Jan. 28.—B. T. Bailey, of Montreal; for some years chief engineer of the Vermont Central Railroad.

Jan. 31.—Henry Carlisle, of Sheldon, aged 73. He was one of the leading members in the State, and a lifelong member of the Orange County Bank.

Jan. 1.—Hon. B. W. Bartholomew, of Washington, Vt., aged 60. He had been for years President of the Orange County National Bank, and a director in the Vermont Mutual Insurance Company; was a member of the State Senate in 1858-9, and frequently represented Washington in the Legislature.

Feb. 1.—Dr. S. N. Sherman, of Ogdensburg, N. Y., aged 71. Graduated from the Middlebury Medical College in 1824, and went to St. Lawrence Co. in 1825.

Feb. 2.—Stephen F. Hemenway, of Vermont, aged 92; a soldier in the war of 1812.

Feb. 2.—Hon. Moses Kittredge, of St. Johnsbury, aged 72. He was a man of great influence in the community; was once assistant judge of the County Court, and a member of the Legislature for two years.

Feb. 6.—Rev. Robert Southgate, of Woodstock, aged 65; a native of Portland, Me.; a graduate of Bowdoin College; and for some years pastor of the Congregational Church at Woodstock.

Feb. —Enoch Hazeltine, of New Bedford, Mass., aged 55; formerly of Danville, an ardent anti-slavery temperance man, and an active abolitionist. The continued patronage of the public edifice.

Feb. 7.—James C. Colby, of New York City; formerly editor of a newspaper in Bellows Falls.

Feb. 16.—Hon. James Denison, at San Antonio, Texas, aged 61; a native of Windsor County.

Feb. 16.—Joseph Boudallier or Butler, of Burlington, aged 89. He was a native of France, and served as a soldier under the first Napoleon, in Spain, and also served under Napoleon at the Battle of Waterloo.

Feb. 17.—Hon. James L. Stark, of Chicago, Ill., aged 50. A native of Hartford, Vt.; a leading lawyer, and Senator from Bennington County two terms.

Feb. 18.—Hon. Wm. E. Park, of Woodford, at Charlestown, Mass. He represented Woodford in the Legislature two years; and was State Senator two terms.

Feb. 20.—Col. N. A. Tucker, at Burlington, formerly an officer of the Ordnance and War Departments.

March 2.—Hon. George Millard, of Bennington, aged 65. He was largely engaged in manufacturing enterprises.

March 2.—Ira Davis, M. D., of Norwich aged 72. He practiced his profession in Norwich forty years.

March 7.—Hon. Charles Reed, of Montpelier, aged 58. Graduated from Dartmouth; practiced law in Montpelier for a long period; had been a State Senator, State Attorney, State Librarian, one of the Trustees of the State Reform School, and was an active member of the Vermont Historical Society.

March 9.—Luther Cross, of Montpelier, aged 70. For many years a prominent merchant, and for six years Sergeant at Arms.

March 10.—Wm. L. Farnham, at Poultney, aged 85, a prominent citizen, and for a time President of the Rutland County Agricultural Society.

March 14.—Hon. Stephen Howe, of Lunenburg, aged 77. He was 49 years town clerk, member of the Legislature twelve years, and once a member of a constitutional convention.

March 14.—Wm. H. Anderson, at New York, aged 73; formerly an engineer of the U. S. Navy.

March 17.—Rev. John E. Palmer, the oldest clergyman in the Universalist denomination at Waterford, aged 90.

March 20.—Dr. J. Y. Godfrey, of Georgia, aged 41; for a time a popular teacher, and a graduate of the Medical Department, U. V. M. Practiced his profession in Flushing, N. Y., and Norfolk, Va.

March 22.—Royal Houghton, an old New York merchant and banker, at San Antonio, Fla. Born in Guilford, in 1798.

March 23.—Rev. F. S. Bliss, at Greenboro, N. C. for fifteen years pastor of the Universalist Church at Barre.

March 25.—Rev. Nehemiah Pierce, at Springfield, Ill., aged 33, a graduate of the University of Vermont, 1865; ordained as a Baptist minister in 1868; and officiated at Bellows Falls.

March 26.—Douglass A. Danforth, at Chicago, Ill., aged 60. A native of Georgia, Vt., studied law, for several years, edited the *St. Albans Republican*, and subsequently the *Burlington Sentinel*. Was Postmaster at Burlington from 1853 to 1861.

March 25.—Hon. N. P. Nelson, of Craftsboro, a prominent citizen and member of the Council of Censors in 1855.

March 31.—Cyrus M. Fisher, lost on the ill-fated "Atlantic." Was for some years a prominent citizen of Addison County, and represented Vergennes in the Legislature in 1861-2.

April 2.—Capt. W. Gray, at Sheffield, aged 79; a soldier of the war of 1812.

April 5.—Gen. Pardon T. Kimball, at Fayetteville, aged 76; for two years a member of the State Senate, and fifty years in local offices.

April 6.—Capt. Nathan Fay, of Richmond, for four years a member of the Legislature, and for twenty years, a member of the peace thirty years.

April 7.—Hon. George H. Paige, of Cabot, aged 69. Was postmaster four years, and had been a member of both branches of the Legislature.

April 9.—Rev. Philander Bates, at Ludlow, where he had been settled over the Congregational church for two years.

April 10.—Henry A. Norton, of Benson, aged 37. Was for many years a popular express messenger on Lake Champlain steamers, and between Burlington and Ogdensburg.

April 27.—Dr. Benjamin Weeks, of Clarendon, at Pond, N. Y., aged 75; a skillful medical practitioner.

May 2.—Hon. A. H. Gilmore, of Fairlee, aged 68; had represented Fairlee in the Legislature, and was for several years Judge of Probate.

May 2.—Rev. Joel Parker, D. D. of New York. A native of Vermont. For two years was President of the Maine Theological Seminary.

May 2.—Henry Day, of Bristol, aged 68. He gave his estate, worth \$20,000, to the United States.

May 5.—Hon. Wm. H. Jones, 83, 1835-66. Had been State Senator for two years, and a member of the Legislature.

May 12.—Joseph Parker, of Vergennes, aged 85. He had filled many positions of trust, and was for twenty years a deacon in the Congregational Church.

May 13.—Hon. Charles March, a prominent citizen of Woodstock, at San Diego, Cal.

May 14.—Hon. Wm. C. Colburn, of Woodstock, aged 49; a graduate of the University of Vermont; a lawyer; State Senator in 1869-70.

May 14.—Rev. Daniel Wild, at Fairfield, born in West Fairlee in 1801; graduated from the University of Vermont, in 1822; officiated at West Fairlee, Brookfield and Fairfield.

May 20.—Chapman Sabin, a native of Halifax, at Baraboo, Wis., aged 78; for three years Sept. of the Vermont State Prison.

June 2.—John D. Ward, at Jersey City, N. J., aged 79; formerly a prominent iron manufacturer of Vergennes.

June 9.—Hon. John R. Blake, at Boston, aged 79. A prominent citizen of Brattleboro; a leading business man; a member of both branches of the Legislature for several terms.

June 9.—Hon. B. Thurl, at Circleville, Ohio, aged 74; a native of Vermont; and for 17 years connected with the *Circleville Herald*, and thereafter with the *Ohio State Journal*.

June 17.—Gen. Joel A. Dewey, suddenly in the Circuit Court Room at Knoxville, Tenn., aged 33; served in the Union army through the rebellion with honorable distinction; graduated from the Albany Law School in 1867; was attorney general.

June 19.—Rev. Moses Strong, Hoyes, at Nashville, Tenn. Born in Rutland in 1825; graduated from the University of Vermont in 1844; established an Episcopal Church, at Greenville, Tenn. 1847, and conducted his ministerial labors there and at Franklin, Tenn.

June 19.—Hon. Henry E. Soughton, at New York, aged 61; of Bellows Falls; a leading member of the Bar in this State, and a member of the State Senate in 1861-2.

June 20.—Hiram Powers, the eminent sculptor, at Florence, Italy. Born in Woodstock in 1805; produced an ideal statue of Eve, and subsequently his celebrated statue of the Greek Slave.

July 1.—Nathaniel Reed of Cambridge, aged 85; graduated from the University of Vermont, in 1811, and was an officer in the war of 1812.

July 14.—Hon. Benjamin H. Steele, of Hartford, at Fairfield, Minn. Born in Stoughton, P. Q., in 1837; graduated from Dartmouth College in 1857; came to the Bar in 1858 and began practice at Derby, N. H. Was made a judge of the Supreme Court in 1865, from which he retired in 1870. Was a member of the State Board of Education, one of the trustees of the State Library; and one of the delegates at large to the last Republican National Convention.

July 22.—Hubbard Wright, of Bradford, aged 63. Was a member of the legislature nine terms, and a member of the last constitutional convention.

July 20.—Major Wallace A. Spear, at Ludlow, aged 41. Served through the late war, and was chief engineer of the Norfolk navy yard.

Aug. 4.—Capt. E. L. Hubbard, of Franklin, aged 41. Did good service for his country in the late war. Was a prominent business man, and also a prominent citizen.

Aug. 1.—Hon. Myron W. G. Wright, of Shoreham. He had been assistant judge

of the county court, and was a member of the Legislature in 1847-59-60.

Aug. 4.—Albert G. Chadwick, at Montreal, aged 62. He was founder of the *St. Johnsbury Caledonian*.

Aug. 4.—Prof. Silas H. Pearl, at Plymouth, N. H., aged 40. A graduate of the University of Vt. and for some years Principal of the State Normal School at Johnson.

Aug. 9.—Darius Clark, the oldest printer of Vt. at Lanesborough, N. Y.

Aug. —S. P. Gates, of Franklin. He had filled many positions of honor and trust.

Aug. 15.—Hon. Moody Rich, of Maidstone, aged 93. Once a prominent public man.

Aug. 20.—J. S. D. Taylor, of St. Albans, aged 55. Graduated from the University of Vermont in 1840; was successively Principal of the Montpelier, Bradford, Pittsburg and St. Albans Academies, and in 1859, principal of the public schools of Pontiac, Mich. Came one of the proprietors of the *St. Albans Messenger* in 1870, from which he retired June, 1873.

Aug. 21.—Rev. John Todd, D. D. of Pittsfield, Mass. Born in Rutland in 1800; graduated from Yale in 1822; entered the Congregational ministry, and preached at Groton; Northampton and Pittsfield, Massachusetts.

Aug. 21.—Rev. Ammi Nichols, in Brainree, aged 92. He began preaching for the Congregational Society of Brainree, in 1806.

Aug. 20.—Rev. James J. Gilbert, of Fairhaven, aged 73. Was a Congregational clergyman, and had preached in many places for longer or shorter periods.

Aug. 8.—Hon. J. W. Marston, of Newburyport, Mass. Born in Fairlee, Vt., in 1789; was a prominent lawyer.

Aug. 20.—Gen. W. W. Wheeler, in Chicago, aged 37. Born in New Haven, Vt.; graduated from Michigan University in 1850; practiced law until the breaking out of the rebellion, when he entered the army and won distinction in the Louisiana campaigns.

Sept. 1.—Hon. Josiah T. Everett, at Peru, N. Y., aged 73. Born in Addison; was County Judge of Clinton Co., many years; a member of the N. Y. Senate, and subsequently State Prison Inspector.

Sept. 4.—Abel Houghton, of St. Albans, aged 83. Was cashier of the Bank of St. Albans for a long period.

Sept. 7.—Abner Forbes, of St. Albans, aged 51. He was connected with the Vermont Central Railroad, successively as paymaster, cashier and chief clerk for several years. He was a prominent Mason and Odd Fellow.

Sept. 15.—Hon. A. W. Tenney, of Newbury, aged 78. A prominent business man, and one of the pioneers of the Wells River Bank.

Sept. 16.—Hon. John K. Whitney, of Franklin, aged 61. He was twice elected judge, two terms in the Legislature, and a judge of the Vermont Superior Court.

Sept. 20.—Hon. Adolphus Hutton, of Hardwick, aged 65. A prominent citizen.

Oct. 2.—Rev. Miles J. Hickock, D. D. at Marietta, Ohio, aged 64— a native of New Haven, Vt. Graduated from Middlebury College in 1825; subsequently pastor of the Congregational churches in Rochester, N. Y., Montreal, St. Paul, Pa. and Marietta.

Oct. 8.—W. G. Austin, cashier of the Barre National Bank, aged 23; formerly Cashier of the Bank at Chelsea.

Oct. 9.—Andrew English, of Marshfield, aged 68. Was town clerk of M. 25 years, and a member of the Legislature two terms.

Oct. 14.—Chas. Philip Pond, of Castleton, aged 77. Had occupied a varied office of public trust.

Oct. 10.—Horatio B. Farrar, of Swanton, aged —. Was in business in St. Albans many years; was postmaster for 23 years.

Oct. 19.—L. C. Wheelock, of Barre, aged 51. Long a prominent member of the Washington County Bar.

Oct. —Hon. Calvin B. Biddett, of Burlington, aged 74. Had held many public offices in Orange County, and was an active and prosperous business man.

Oct. 20.—Charles C. Colton, at Mobile, Ala., aged 36. Admitted to the Bar in 1859; enlisted as a private in the 8th Vt. Volunteers in 1862; was promoted to First Lieutenant, and subsequently appointed Commissioner of free men's schools in Louisiana; after the war, was district attorney and school superintendent of Wilcox Co., Alabama, and was Judge of the county court at the time of his death.

Oct. 28.—Rev. Worthington Wright, 13 years pastor of the Congregational Church, of Woodstock, died in Buffalo, aged 88.

Oct. 18.—Dr. Horace Bates, in New York, aged 85. For many years a leading physician of Burlington. A native of Tundridge.

Nov. 4.—Hon. Jacob Mace, of Burlington, aged 73. For 50 years a prominent and able lawyer of Chittenden County.

Nov. 4.—Hon. E. A. Sturtevant, at Haledon, N. J., aged 62. A prominent lawyer and politician. A native of Vermont. In 1848 he established the *Free Soil Courier* in Burlington, which he sold in 1850.

Nov. 16.—Hon. Joseph Blake, of Swanton, at Cambridge, Mass., aged 70. He was formerly President of the Union Bank of Swanton, and had represented that town in the Legislature.

Nov. 19.—James Merrill, Secretary of the Union Trust Co., New York, a native of Rutland Co. and formerly Cashier of the Rutland County Bank.

Nov. 23.—Dr. R. C. M. Woodward, of St. Albans, aged 57. He graduated from the Castleton Medical College in 1841; practiced his profession in Rutland fifteen years, and in St. Albans fifteen years.

Nov. 22.—Hon. Giles Harrington, of Albion, at Silver Lake, N. Y., aged over 70. He was long a prominent citizen and lawyer of Grand Isle County; and had filled many public offices of honor and trust.

Nov. 25.—Aurora C. Plagg, of New York. Born in Orwell, Vt., in 1790. Was at one time editor of the *Plattsburgh Republican*. In 1823, he was elected to the N. Y. Assembly, and Secretary of the State in 1826. He held the position of State Comptroller for 12 years, and was

subsequently Comptroller of N. York City. Nov. 25.—Henry H. James, at San Francisco; formerly of St. Albans. He was a graduate of the University of Vermont, and was one of the pioneers of California, where he practiced law for many years with success.

Nov. 26.—Charles Barrett, of Stratford, aged 64. Was for several years in both branches of the Legislature; assistant judge of the County Court, and a member of the last Constitutional Convention.

Nov. 29.—Rev. John B. Steele, of Middlebury, aged 30. A graduate of Middlebury College, and for some time engaged in the ministry.

Nov. 20.—Dr. W. H. Rockwell, late superintendent of the Vermont Asylum for the Insane, at Brattleboro, aged 74. Was connected with the institution 36 years.

Dec. 3.—Rev. John Wooster, pastor of the Congregational Church in Granby 13 years.

Dec. 6.—Hon. Horace Templeton, of Redwood City, Cal., aged 49. A native of East Montpelier. For 15 years a County Judge in California.

Dec. 10.—Henry Jones, of Shoreham, aged 86. An officer in the war of 1812.

Dec. 21.—Lysander G. McLeod, of Windsor, aged 54. Published the *Christian Messenger* at Newbury, in 1846; edited the *Aurora of the Valley* in 1848, and the *Orange Co. Journal* in 1856; the *Vt. Journal* in 1857, and the *Vt. Chronicle* in 1863, and published the two papers last named until his decease; also the *Granite State Journal and Valley Farmer*.

Dec. 25.—Rev. J. H. Patterson, M. D., at Glen Falls, N. Y. He was a graduate of the Castleton Medical College; afterward a member of the Troy M. E. Conference. The bride and groom, having received the congratulations of their friends, passed to the main altar, knelt, said prayers, kissed the images, and then departed for their home, where a supper was served. The ceremony lasted an hour, and during it the bride spoke to the groom, and smiled on some of her friends.

A CURIOUS FACT IN NATURAL HISTORY.—The Lemmings multiply so rapidly that in the course of ten or twelve seasons food becomes scarce, and on the approach of some winter when the food question has become one of life or death, the overstocked market is relieved by an expedition unparalleled in its nature among four-footed animals. This singular little creature is so local in its habits, that unless under the circumstances we are about to narrate, it never leaves the mountain regions to establish itself on the plains, where food is more abundant. The ingenious suggestion of a modern writer, that our paupers should be packed into rotten ships, should be sent out to sea and scuttled, is something like the method adopted by the Lemmings themselves to avert the famine which threatens to annihilate the entire species. When they are in the process of migration, they are driven by the force of the wind, and are seen in great numbers on the coast, where they are sometimes found in great numbers